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The Toronto World wants its readers' ideas. Write a letter when you are displeased, and also when you are pleased. Don't make it longer than two hundred words. This is your column.

### NOISE

Editor World: This latest hopeless to write to the press complaining of noise. Youngsters seem to enjoy and revel in it. But to old folks it's "muffled oars" and "brakes down" we want.

But Toronto is young, very young, and by the same token noise does not trouble it.

We Toronto folk consider we are just about the pink of perfection. And that consideration would be about right if our mothers and our sisters and our aunts and teachers would take the matter in hand. I give them the fullest power, for I know if they were rolling back and forth the whole voice and tone of the city children within six months.

Our city fathers would be struck dumb with a great astonishment, and would insist that the street railway company should be compelled to put new springs on their rolling stock and rubber tires on all the wheels.

Heavens and earth! What a city this would be to live in!

Mr. Editor, one word more and I stop—there is no need for these fearful fire bells. Nor the "nine hours" of the General Electric and other works. We are not living now in the dark ages of antiquity, and I don't like the idea that my dear friend Mrs. Jones at Sunnyside should be awakened and distressed simply because I may have started a fire in my ash barrel at my summer residence at Balmy Beach at 2 a.m.

Balmy Beach. A. Robinson.

### POWERS THAT BE

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Grand Duke, who were in Paris early in the present week, despite circumstantial reports of their presence elsewhere, are returning to Russia. They are convinced, as are all prominent men in St. Petersburg, that a return to the old order of things in Russia is now impossible and that substantial concessions are inevitable in the direction of popular liberty are inevitable. In fact, there is a distinct change of heart on the part of all high placed personages, who are supposed to be implacably reactionary.

Such in brief are the rosy views of Russia's future taken by the coterie who until two years ago held the country in the grasp of the most corrupt tyranny on earth. They believe, perhaps not unreasonably, that such substantial concessions to the popular demands will solve all the difficulties of the situation and speedily restore peace and prosperity. The idea does not seem to occur to them that the offer comes too late, that the privileges which would have been welcomed with gratitude even a year ago will now be rejected by an outraged country, which no longer has the slightest confidence in the genuineness of any reforms originating from such a source.

**Duke's Mistake.**  
The soundest and most enlightening presentation of the Russian situation is contained in an article in the "Times" to-day by MacKenzie Wallace, who all must acknowledge is a most competent authority on Russia. Mr. Wallace has been in St. Petersburg for some weeks, and writes that the Constitutional Democrats of the late Duma proposed to strive to bring the executive within the appointment and subject to the approval of the parliamentary majority, and so secure party government upon those by which they sought to gain this end could be conceded.

"Not only did they allow anarchical doctrines which have no place in the political creed to be proclaimed in their hearing without challenge," he writes, "but they made common cause with those by whom these doctrines were pro-

## HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

### FOUND DEAD AT WELLS AND FOUL PLAY IS SUSPECTED

Police Asked About Thomas Gofford—British Bowlers Defeat Thistles.

Hamilton, Aug. 12.—(Special.)—The local police got a brief message to-day from Gofford, saying that a Hamilton man, whose name is supposed to be Thomas Gofford, is supposed to be dead, and that there were suggestions that he had been murdered. The dead man was described as being about 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches in height and dark complexioned. He had been employed as a cook in one of the hotels, and in one of his pockets were tokens issued by the Hamilton Bowling Club, and a pair of scissors and a razor to Gofford. The police have been unable to learn his name, but it is thought he had a brother in Ontario.

**British Bowlers Win.**  
The British bowlers defeated eight of the Thistle Club by forty-five shots Saturday afternoon. The teams were:

—British—  
M. Twiss, P. Walsh, J. P. Smith, J. C. Hunter skip 20.  
C. Murray, D. McLaughlin, J. A. O'Connell, J. Phillips skip 12.  
—Thistles—  
J. Morrison skip 14.  
John Hamilton, John Hetherington, H. McCullough, C. W. Watson skip 33.  
H. Campbell, T. Jeffrey, F. Hay, J. Bedford skip 30.  
C. Addicot, R. Scott, Baillie Wilcox, G. F. Crawford, C. S. Wilcox, D. B. Dewar, G. Cousin, W. Millen, A. Lilly, S. Finlay skip 21.  
J. Frith, Robert Paul, Major Brown, J. J. Jagger skip 15.

**Revolutionists Control.**  
The foregoing considerations explain in part the equanimity with which Russia received the news that the Duma had been dissolved and the old regime revived in modified form. But the end is not yet.

**ST. PETERSBURG, AUG. 11.**  
GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS, NICHOLAI LAUREVICH, PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENCE, TUNA YESTERDAY ARRIVED AT THE HANDS OF THE IMPERIAL GUARDS IN THE GUARD CAMP AT BALMY BEACH.

IT HAS BEEN DEFINITELY ESTABLISHED THAT THE SHOTS WERE FIRED BY THE FIRST BATTALION OF THE SHARPSHOOTERS OF THE GUARD, WHO ADVANCED IN RUSHES WHILE MAKING A BULLET HIT ON AN ENTRENCHED POSITION.

FULLY A HUNDRED SHOTS WERE FIRED, BUT THE EMPLOYMENT OF THIS CONFESSIONS LED THEM TO OPEN FIRE AT SUCH A DISTANCE AS TO FRUSTRATE THEIR OBJECT.

It is said that the Thistles Theatre will be in the Cataract Power Company's union station building.

**Arrests Made.**  
A representative of the Associated Press visited the market place, and ascertained that the several arrests had been made, responsibility for the incident had not decidedly been fixed upon individuals.

After a long investigation, it was determined that the ball cartridge were fired by the first Battalion of Sharpshooters, one of the elite corps of the Russian army. Suspicion was directed toward the "cavalry volunteers" and recruits who, in consideration of their educational qualifications and social position, escape only with one year instead of four years' service. Many of these men are ex-students, and are the principal spreaders of the revolutionary propaganda among the troops.

The incident occurred during a movement of the Ismailovsky Guard and the Guard Sharpshooters against a position held by the Semenovskiy Regiment.

**Bullets Hissed Overhead.**  
Grand Duke Nicholas was sitting in his carriage, observing the manoeuvres from the top of an entrenchment. The troops were advancing by short rushes in open order across a wide level field, firing blank volleys by squads as they came. A few yards behind the grand duke was his suite, including General Zarembo, second in command of the Guard Corps, adjutants and orderlies, and several officers, including the Countess Nikolski.

Suddenly, when the first column of the attacking force, consisting of sharpshooters, was 70 yards distant, a bullet sang high over his head, followed by another and still another. The cry was raised, "They are firing ball," and the group was thrown into confusion.

After frantic signaling, "Cease firing" was sounded, but the shots continued for some time.

Grand Duke Nicholas remarked, when he joined his suite, "It would be more realistic if the troops always fired real bullets during manoeuvres, but this is undesirable negligence."

**Deliberate Plot.**  
One of the grand duke's aides-de-camp, who, however, was not personally present, advanced to the Associated Press the theory that possibly the bullets were fired by accident, but he considered that beyond a doubt there was a deliberate plot on the part of a number of disloyal guardsmen, who had actually planned to take the grand duke's life under cover of the general blank cartridge firing.

The aide-de-camp added:  
"It was no more an accident than was the firing of the famous charge of the Light Brigade on the occasion of the winter palace on the occasion of the ceremony of blessing the waters of the Neva by the emperor a year and a half ago."

**Snares the Czar.**  
The bold attempt on the grand duke's life caused an immediate change in the plans of the emperor, who had intended to winter palace on the occasion of the ceremony of blessing the waters of the Neva by the emperor a year and a half ago.

The grand duke, surrounded by officers and aide-de-camp, was off to one side, out of the line of the fire.

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**WINS FIGHT FOR CHEAP GAS**  
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Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 12.—Kansas City won its long fight for cheap gas when Mayor Beardsley promised to accept the offer of the Fleming-Wilson natural gas ordinance, granting a franchise to a syndicate of Chicago capitalists, which was passed by the city council last night.

The franchise is to run for thirty years, and it provides that as long as the supply of natural gas is reasonably accessible it is to be furnished at 25 cents a thousand cubic feet for domestic consumption and at 10 cents for manufacturing purposes. They had to be furnished at 75 cents the supply and cubic feet. The city may purchase the gas at any time, and providing the grantees receive their profits for ten years.

The Kansas City, Mo., Gas Company now holds a franchise to furnish gas at \$1.0 a thousand feet.

**CABINET REVELATIONS.**  
St. Petersburg, Aug. 11.—Revelations made in open letters by Count Hloiden, Prince Lvoff and M. Shipoff, regarding the cause of the breakdown of the negotiations looking to their entering the cabinet, placed Premier Stolypin in a rather bad light.

The letters show that the government utterly refused to yield anything to the declared of principle, and only tried to give the cabinet an appearance of liberality by taking in two public men.

Prince Nicholas Lvoff, in his letter, said it was absurd to ask them to become mere government clerks. They had pointed out that there are no ships or occupation for them, and they are merely a source of demoralization.

Another indication of the determination of the administration to participate vigorously in the electoral campaign is furnished by an order of the minister of interior to the police through the empire to make reports as speedily as possible on all the political parties in their districts, their strength, organization, membership, activity and press organs.

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**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**  
THOMAS EDWARDS, ISSUES OF MARRIAGE LICENSES, 36 Victoria-street, Toronto. 116 McGill-street. No witnesses.

**Think He Stole a Watch.** Robert Kinnear, 45 Lombard-street, is under arrest, charged with stealing a watch from William Pearson.

**RAILROADS AROUND HAMILTON** ALLOWING TWO-CENT FARE

Rates Charged Are Substantially Within the Demands of the Law

Hamilton, Aug. 12.—(Star Special.)—The Ontario Power, Light and Traction Co. not only furnishes all electric light and power used in Hamilton, but it controls the street railway system of the city and all of the radial lines. The Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Company still maintains a separate organization, but unless everyone here is deceived—including their own employees—the Grimsby line is also controlled by the Cataract Company. The latter has purchased real estate on King-street and is to erect a terminal station. The Grimsby cars, it is announced, will use this station, and by that time the formal amalgamation will have been accomplished. The recent action of the directors in issuing themselves \$35,000 of capital stock at par is probably a step in this direction. The Railway Act prohibits the concept of "two-thirds in value of the shareholders voting" in order to effect an amalgamation. If this two-thirds in value is secured by the directors, it is hardly issuing stock to themselves, it might be a sufficient reason for the railway and municipal board not to pass the resolution required to make it effective. This is expressly provided by clause three of section 18 of the Ontario Railway Act.

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**PROVOSTS' MOTHER CAME** Identified the Body and Took It Home—Died From Shock.

Mrs. Provost, wife of P. C. Provost of Montreal, arrived in Toronto yesterday. In company with Inspector Davis she visited the morgue and identified the body there as that of her son, Sydney. The body was removed to Millard's, and taken to Montreal last night.

Mrs. Provost said her son had been suffering from neuralgia of the heart. The medical men who tried for an hour to resuscitate young Provost were of opinion he was not drowned, but died from shock.

Saturday afternoon, Sydney Provost, aged 17, who was employed on the City of Montreal, went in swimming with the body of the young Provost disappeared and his body was not recovered for 10 minutes.

**TEN CENT FARE ILLEGAL**  
Court Decision Against Second Fare to Coney Island.

New York, Aug. 11.—Justice Wm. J. Gaynor of the appellate division of the supreme court in Brooklyn yesterday decided that a ten-cent fare to Coney Island is illegal, and that a passenger has a right to refuse to pay the second fare. The decision was handed down in a habeas corpus proceeding to obtain the release of a person who had been arrested for refusing to pay the second fare on the Brooklyn Rapid Transit line.

This is the first judicial decision that a ten-cent fare to Coney Island is illegal. The case was before the courts once in another way, and the appellate division held that the company had a right to charge the second fare.

Col. Timothy L. Williams, second vice-president of the company, said to-night that the company would not let the case rest with this decision. Neither would there be any reduction of the fare Sunday.

**Disorderly on Ferry Boat.**  
Salim Zaeger, a Syrian, living at 49 Trinity-square, got acting in a rough manner on one of the ferry boats Saturday night and was arrested by P. C. Sawdon on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Arthur M. Cowie of the Dominion Bank and William V. Clark returned to the city Saturday from Honey Harbor, where they have been holidaying. They report being excellent.

James Betch of Richmond-street, who received severe lacerations to one hand from being pushed thru a pane of glass window Saturday night, and who was taken to Western Hospital, is reported improving nicely.